

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

Claims 1-18 are canceled without prejudice or disclaimer. The following is the status of the claims of the above-captioned application, as amended.

Claims 1-18 (Canceled)

Claim 19. (Original) A solid phytase composition consisting essentially of:

- (a) an enzyme having a phytase activity of above 20 FYT/g of the composition, and
- (b) a lactic acid source in an amount of 0.01-15% by weight to provide lactic acid in an amount sufficient to stabilize the enzyme.

Claim 20. (Original) The composition of claim 19, wherein the lactic acid is present in an amount of 0.01 - 10%.

Claim 21. (Original) The composition of claim 19, having a chromatogram determined by HPLC, which has one or more of peaks 1-10.

Claim 22. (Original) The composition of claim 19, further consisting essentially of a starch material.

Claim 23. (Original) The composition of claim 19, further consisting essentially of a disaccharide.

Claim 24. (Original) The composition of claim 19, further consisting essentially of a carrier material.

Claim 25. (Original) The composition of claim 19, further consisting essentially of a filler material.

Claim 26. (Original) The composition of claim 19, further consisting essentially of one or more vitamins, one or more minerals or a mixture of both.

Claim 27. (Original) The solid phytase composition of claim 19, wherein the enzyme has a phytase activity of at least 25 FYT/g of the composition.

Claim 28. (Original) The solid phytase composition of claim 30, wherein the enzyme has a phytase activity of at least 50 FYT/g of the composition.

Claim 29. (Original) The solid phytase composition of claim 31, wherein the enzyme has a phytase activity of at least 100 FYT/g of the composition.

Claim 30. (Original) The solid phytase composition of claim 32, wherein the enzyme has a phytase activity of at least 250 FYT/g of the composition.

Claim 31. (Original) The solid phytase composition of claim 33, wherein the enzyme has a phytase activity of at least 500 FYT/g of the composition.

Claim 32. (Original) The solid phytase composition of claim 34, wherein the enzyme has a phytase activity of at least 750 FYT/g of the composition.

Claim 33. (Original) The solid phytase composition of claim 35, wherein the enzyme has a phytase activity of at least 1000 FYT/g of the composition. (New)